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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 14591.10

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of	Hicks et al.	)
Serial No.:	09/931,392	)
Filed:	August 16, 2001	) Art Unit
Conf. No.:	1575	) 3677
For:	BUCKLE LANYARD CONNECTOR AND SYSTEM	)
Examiner:	Jack W. Lavinder	)

**RESPONSE "F"**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 30, 2004, please consider the above-identified Response:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.